

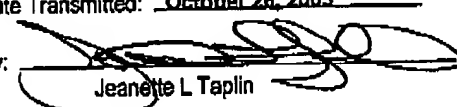
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed May 27, 2005, and the Advisory Action mailed September 27, 2005, please enter the following preliminary amendment, which is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination:

**Amendments to the claims begin on the following page.**

**Remarks begin on page 5.**